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Application No.:	)	Examiner:
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For: NEW IGBT CATHODE DESIGN	)	
WITH IMPROVED SAFE OPERATING	)	
AREA CAPABILITY	)	
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, kindly amend the above-captioned  
application as follows: